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- 1. Both Gilberto Vieira White, Socretary Ceneral of the Communist Party of Colombia (PCC), and Augusto Duran Ospino, Secretary General of the Communist Jorkers Party (PCO), have called upon Communists and Communist-sympathizers in Colombia to be prepared to assist any Venezuelan leftists, particularly members of the Accion Democratica party (Democratic Action - AD), who have fled to Colombia. This instruction is based on the co viction of both parties that the AD followed policies leading toward socialism and eventual Communist domination. The PCO and PCC also felt that if the AD should return to power, it would repay any assistance by aiding Venezuelan Communists and financing Communists in other countries.
- 2. Duran, who has maintained contact with Gustavo ! achado Morales, Secretary General of the Venozuelan Communist Party, was advised by Maria Lucas de Machado, the wife of Gustavo and a resident of Borota, that the Venezuelan Communist Party has maintained a neutral attitude toward the military government because it did not want to be outlawed or prosecuted onenly. By maintaining this position the Communist Party has been able to keep all leaders fully informed.



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